ROAD CONSTRUCTION ON BOUGAINVILLA

Road construction started in mid-June on a \$3.2 million City of Fort Lauderdale project to replace old water pipes in Town. The project will stretch from Northeast 41st Street in Fort Lauderdale to just north of the Village of Sea Ranch Lakes.

The project began June 11th on Bougainvilla Drive. Bougainvilla will be dug up to replace water pipes from about 300 feet south of Commercial Boulevard down to State Road A1A. The project will then continue south along A1A and into Fort Lauderdale.

Once water lines are replaced on Bougainvilla south of Commercial, construction work will start on Bougainvilla north of Commercial.

Pipes will be replaced all the way up to Pine Avenue. The project then cuts over to A1A. Water pipes on A1A will be upgraded from Pine north to just north of the Village of Sea Ranch Lakes.

Dan LaCross, project manager for Ric-Man Construction, a Deerfield Beach firm, said construction along A1A will be confined to July and August.

He expects the entire road construction project to be completed by Christmas. If it isn't, he said, Ric-Man will not be able to re-start construction again until the end of March.

During construction in Town, residents will have limited parking access to their homes and apartments. LaCross said every effort is being made to cooperate with residents and to restore limited access to their homes by the end of the day.

"Everybody seems to be pretty reasonable," LaCross said. He asked residents and drivers to be patient with delays while the roadway project is underway.

Residents and drivers can expect traffic delays and lane closures. Nani d'Ettorre, a project construction manager with CH2M HILL, said 6 and 8 inch water lines are being replaced with 12 inch water pipes.

Ric-Man Construction delivered construction notification flyers to residents containing information about the length and nature of the waterworks project. If you need to speak with Ric-Man Construction during the project, the number to call is 954-426-1221.